ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



June 23, 2003

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REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 22 OF THE 2003 CROP YEAR

RELEASED: June 23, 3PM - The latter part of the crop weather week brought warm dry weather allowing farmers to return to the fields. There were 4 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 0% very short, 3% short, 69% adequate, and 28% surplus.

CROPS: When weather permitted, the main activities of the week were harvesting wheat and weed control in rice, soybeans and forages. In the eastern portion of the state, farmers were planting double cropped soybeans. Rice blast was reported on Wells and Francis rice varieties. Due to wet weather in the week, pesticide applications have been delayed and some aphid build-up on cotton has been reported. Tomatoes, peaches and blackberries are being harvested.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock were reported to be in good condition. Producers are spraying for flies and working cattle. Hay harvest has been picking up when weather permits.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN					1	2	24	51	19
Silked*	57	-	43	30					
SOYBEANS					2	10	28	46	14
Planted	84	79	89	88					
Emerged	77	66	78	77					
SORGHUM					1	6	32	54	7
Emerged	100	100	100	99					
Heading	18	-	11	6					
COTTON					1	8	41	39	11
Planted	100	99	100	100					
Emerged	99	96	100	100					
Squaring	48	26	65	67					
Setting Bolls*	0	-	3	2					
RICE					2	7	25	46	20
Emerged	100	98	100	100					
Headed*	0	-	1	1					
WHEAT					4	14	31	43	8
Harvested	56	39	83	84					
HAY - OTHER					0	3	29	56	12
HAY-ALFALFA					0	0	29	65	6
PASTURE & RANGE .					0	1	22	61	16

^{*} First week to ask in 2003 crop progress report.

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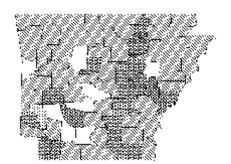
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

June 22, 2003. Temperatures were below normal for much of the week. Heavy rainfall overseveral counties, flash flooding was a problem. Eudora and Texarkana recorded the high temperature of 92° and Calico Rock recorded the low temperature of 52°. Precipitation ranged from a high of 5.14 inches at Morrilton to 0.06 inches at Mountain Home.



NO DATA

✓ VERY SHORT
SHORT
ADEQUATE
SURPLUS

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: June 22, 2003

DISTRICT	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL						
AND			DEP	WEEK CURR			JAN-MAY			
STATION	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	JUN	JUN				
			NORM	JUN 22	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2003	NORMAL		
1 Fayetteville	84	56	-4	0.51	3.19	5.26	15.54	18.11		
Harrison	85	57	-4	0.63	3.72	4.34	12.76	18.61		
2 Calico Rock	86	52	-2	0.11	2.24	3.75	16.87	19.62		
Gilbert	86	55	-4	0.52	4.18	4.16	17.66	19.01		
Greers Ferry	86	57	-3	2.66	4.37	3.87	24.93	21.96		
Mountain Home	85	56	-1	0.06	2.28	3.99	19.79	19.20		
3 Batesville	85	56	-5	1.88	5.84	3.50	23.20	20.74		
Jonesboro	89	55	-4	2.19	3.64	3.29	23.85	21.21		
Keiser	88	63	-2	0.64	2.60	4.06	24.01	22.81		
Newport	87	60	-4	1.72	3.61	3.78	28.28	21.38		
4 Booneville	89	62	-4	0.39	3.86	4.22	15.08	20.43		
Clarksville	87	63	-1	1.59	5.28	4.16	14.72	19.89		
Dardanelle	87	65	-3	0.66	3.85	4.26	15.14	20.85		
Ft. Smith	90	65	-2	0.25	3.51	4.28	13.18	18.10		
Mena	87	57	-3	0.64	5.41	5.17	15.35	23.98		
Ozark	86	61	-4	1.02	5.81	3.84	16.93	18.79		
5 Conway	85	61	-5	2.90	5.07	4.48	24.43	20.82		
Hot Springs	91	59	-5	3.15	9.56	5.02	16.52	24.66		
Little Rock	88	63	-4	2.88	5.48	3.95	16.36	22.34		
N Little Rock	89	63	-4	1.60	4.44	3.51	16.39	21.95		
6 Brinkley	86	62	-3	1.57	3.63	4.07	17.25	23.34		
Marianna	86	62	-3	1.86	3.97	4.39	16.92	24.26		
Stuttgart	88	63	-4	1.61	4.60	3.99	20.19	20.19		
7 Hope	88	66	-3	4.28	6.16	4.74	18.89	22.91		
Texarkana	92	70	-1	2.96	5.13	4.60	16.70	19.21		
8 Camden	91	67	-2	0.89	4.93	4.74	16.32	23.16		
El Dorado	91	68	-1	0.66	2.43	5.18	19.88	24.36		
Warren	87	64	-2	0.15	5.28	4.31	22.06	25.28		
9 Eudora	92	67	-2	0.64	7.18	4.10	18.43	28.30		
Pine Bluff	88	58	-3	1.56	5.21	3.78	21.67	23.39		
Rohwer	87	67	-2	0.69	5.28	3.91	22.20	24.46		